

POWERS TAKE STEPS TO PREVENT ENGLAND SENDS FLEET OF WARSHIPS FURTHER TROUBLE BY CRETANS

HARBOR OF CANEA, CRETE.



CRETAN INSURGENTS ACCOMPANIED BY TROOPS OF THE CORPS OF OCCUPATION.

Malta, Feb. 3.—The British battleship Duncan, flagship of rear admiral Sir George Astley Callaghan, second in command of the British Mediterranean fleet, with the cruisers Lancaster, Minerva and Barham and four torpedo boat destroyers, have left here for Piræus, port of Athens, Greece.

The dispatch of these vessels is indicative of a determination of the interested powers—Great Britain, Russia, France and Italy—to assure a strict adherence to the agreement under which the international forces were withdrawn from Crete.

At that time the Cretans solemnly promised to take no steps against the sovereignty of Turkey, but recent developments at Athens have made Turkey believe that the Cretans were to be admitted to the Greek national assembly, and Turkey has assured the powers that such action would be regarded as a casus belli. It is evident that the powers do not propose to permit anything to threaten the peace in the near east.

COLD WEATHER GRIPS THE SOUTH

Snow and Freezing in Parts of Texas — Temperature Drops Very Suddenly.

CARRIZOZO ALSO HAS SNOWFALL

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 3.—Springlike weather the last two days in the south and southwest has given place to rain, and much lower temperatures.

In some parts of Texas, where the thermometer yesterday registered in the neighborhood of 80, freezing weather prevails today.

Rain is falling in nearly all points east of the Mississippi and south to the gulf, and it will be followed here by a nightfall by much colder weather.

Cold in North Texas.

Fort Worth, Tex., Feb. 3.—A 20 degree drop in the temperature here is indicated by the local weather bureau for tonight. Fort Worth and all north Texas will feel the effects of a cold wave. Over the night the mercury fell 20 degrees and the section will experience 15 degree weather tomorrow and probably snow.

Snow at Clovis.

Clovis, N. M., Feb. 3.—A big snow storm, with a driving wind from the northeast, swept Clovis yesterday. Reports received here from as far north as Tucumcari, east to Amarillo and south to Roswell indicate the same conditions. Stock will suffer some.

Snow at Carrizozo.

Carrizozo, N. M., Feb. 3.—Snow fell here yesterday, accompanied by a strong east wind, which at times assumed cyclonic proportions.

DEATH CLAIMS MANY SCORE MINERS

Explosion in Mine in Mexico May Bring Up Death Tally to a Hundred Men.

CIGARET CAUSES ALL THE TROUBLE

Eagle Pass, Tex., Feb. 2.—With over 70 bodies already removed from the Paulau mine of the Esperanza Mining company, it is believed that there are still more below the surface and that the death toll will be almost if not quite a hundred.

A few American foremen are said to be victims, but most of the dead are Mexicans and Italians. The terrific explosion, which occurred yesterday, was caused by a Mexican miner's cigarette setting fire to a cloud of coal dust and gas.

The explosion shook the entire village surrounding the mine, as if some terrible earthquake had been felt, and many of the bodies were blown to atoms and rendered wholly unrecognizable. Gondarmes and troops are guarding the wrecked mine while searchers are doing their best to bring out the remaining bodies, if there be more, from the mine.

The explosion occurred in shaft No. 3 and the men in the vicinity were blown to their death at once. It is feared that other men in other parts of the mine were suffocated by the gas and smoke, as the miners who escaped believe that many of their comrades are still below.

At 8:30 o'clock yesterday morning those at work above ground were startled by a loud explosion and almost

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CARPENTER JURY IS TIED UP

Victor Moore Breaks Record for Length of His Argument Before the Jury.

CASE TO JURY AT TEN O'CLOCK

The jury in the case of S. S. Carpenter is still out.

There is little expectation of a verdict today and doubt is expressed as to the probability of the jury's reaching a verdict at all.

Victor Moore, of counsel for the prosecution, probably established a new record for the length of time consumed in arguing a criminal case before an El Paso jury. Moore talked nearly as long as all the counsel for the defense combined and that without eating anything all day Wednesday.

He commenced his argument at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon and continued until 20 minutes past 5, when Judge Harper announced that court would adjourn until after supper.

At exactly 10 minutes before 8 o'clock Wednesday evening, Moore resumed the argument, read the paper to the jury, then retired about 10 o'clock but no verdict could be reached and they are understood to be still hopelessly divided. Throughout Moore's argument, the defendant sat in a circle of his attorneys, his relatives and friends and listened intently to every word spoken by the prosecutor. When anyone entered

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OPIUM SMUGGLERS AT EL PASO

Separation Granted the Brokaws; Alimony Of \$15,000 Is Allowed



MRS. M. B. BROKAW PROMPTING HER COUNSEL, MR. BALDWIN.

New York, Feb. 3.—Mrs. Mary Blair Brokaw was today granted a separation from her husband, W. Gould Brokaw, the millionaire, and was awarded alimony of \$15,000 a year.

The decision was handed down in the supreme court at Mineola by justice Putnam, before whom the case was tried.

The separation is granted on the ground of desertion.

ARRESTS ARE MADE IN CHICAGO

Several People Jailed There Following Arrests in Los Angeles and El Paso.

BROUGHT OVER STUFF HERE

Then They Sent It Out in Different Directions—Arrest of Others Expected.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 3.—Two additional arrests in Chicago yesterday following closely on those of a Chinaman and a white woman, disclosed what is believed by government authorities to be an extensive opium smuggling conspiracy. The plot involves the smuggling of opium on a large scale across the Mexican border at El Paso.

More arrests are expected here and in Texas. A wealthy Chinaman is believed to be the engineer of the scheme. The four under arrest here are Charley Yee, keeper of a Chinese restaurant; Yee F. Same, alias "George Hill," Chinese head waiter in the restaurant of Chow Gah Hong; Hortense Webb and R. J. Priest, a railway brakeman.

Two arrests have just been made in Los Angeles, and two arrests were recently made in El Paso, one on the advice of the authorities at Fort Worth. All these people are believed by federal officials to be connected with the same smuggling plan. The authorities believe that the opium was brought over at El Paso and then shipped out in three directions—to Fort Worth, Los Angeles and San Francisco and to Chicago.

The men arrested at Los Angeles gave the names of T. J. Murphy and M. L. Harris, but are believed to really be Olin alias "Snake" Pool, and Tom Anderson, the former out on bond at El Paso on a charge of smuggling opium, and the latter a former hanger on at the Juarez races.

V. H. Griffin is the man who was arrested at El Paso for the Fort Worth authorities and bound over and Pool is the man the El Paso officials claim to have caught in an unoccupied house there, where a large quantity of opium was recovered.

WARRINER SAYS HE GAVE MRS. FORD \$1000 A MONTH

Cincinnati, O., Feb. 3.—Charles L. Warriner, defaulting treasurer of the Big Four railroad, testified in the trial of Mrs. Jeannette Stewart-Ford, charged with blackmail, that he gave her about one-fourth of the \$643,000 which he embezzled.

The witness said that in the seven years that he had been embezzling the funds of the railroad he had been paying approximately \$1000 a month to Edgar S. Cooke and Mrs. Ford, and declared that as far as he knew Mrs. Ford had been unaware that he was short in his accounts.

According to Warriner he paid blackmail to Mrs. Ford because she knew that Cooke had been short in his accounts when he was succeeded by Warriner and that he, Warriner, had concealed this shortage.

SERGEANT GOES TO TRIAL FOR BAYONETING A MAN.

Dallas, Tex., Feb. 3.—The case of sergeant Manley, of the Texas National Guard, charged with the murder of Peter Rickenstein during president Taft's visit here in November, was called in the district court today.

Manley claims that Rickenstein attempted to cross the line when he bayoneted him. Members of the National Guard have contributed funds to assist in his defense.

A motion for a continuance by the defense is being argued.

PACKING CO. FORCED TO THE WALL

Failure of Mexican Bank, Caused by Packing Co., Causes Packery to Fail.

A RECEIVER IS APPOINTED

New York, N. Y., Feb. 3.—The Mexican National Packing company, a New Jersey corporation, operating slaughter and packing houses in Mexico, has failed with liabilities, including stock, of \$37,000,000.

The assets are not announced, but it is estimated that they are in excess of the liabilities. The company, which is controlled by English investors, will continue to operate its plants. Henry DeKay, a brother of general manager John W. DeKay, has been appointed receiver by Judge Lanning in the United States district court of New Jersey.

The appointment of the receiver was brought about by the tying up of a part of the company's funds in the United States Banking company of Mexico City, which suspended operations recently. Samuel Untermyer, counsel for the English bankers, in a statement says: "We are advised that the packing house company had upward of \$500,000 gold to its credit in the United States Banking company."

The bank gave as the reason of its suspension the fact that it held large amounts of the packing company's paper.

Among the concessions held by the Mexican National Packing company is the exclusive right to slaughter cattle in Mexico City until 1926. The company's share capital is \$22,500,000 and it has a bonded debt secured by a mortgage of about \$12,500,000 and a floating debt in the neighborhood of \$2,000,000. Of the latter, however, only about \$300,000 is due.

The British and Mexican trust, limited, of London, procured the receiver as the holder of about \$6,000,000 of the bonds, approximately two-thirds of the stock and as the owner of \$300,000 of the floating debt.

Sir Thomas Lipton is a stockholder in the packing company and through him it recently got the contract to furnish meat to the British army in Gibraltar and Egypt.

POOR MAN IS HIT AGAIN; DIAMOND PRICE ADVANCES

New York, Feb. 3.—Another blow has been struck at the poor man's pocket-book. The retail price of diamonds is to be raised \$5 to \$10 a karat, because of the advance of 12 1-2 percent in wages just granted by the Maiden Lane diamond merchants to members of the American Diamond Cutters' Protective association.

MONUMENT TO WM. GOEBEL UNVEILED

Body of Brother Is Laid to Rest Beside Former Governor.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 3.—The marble and bronze monument, erected above the grave of William Goebel, in the state cemetery here, was unveiled today, the 10th anniversary of his assassination.

Coincident with the ceremony of the unveiling, the body of his brother, Arthur Goebel, who devoted his life after the assassination to an effort to convict the men he believed guilty of the murder, and who died just after his work had come to naught, was laid to rest beside that of his brother.

BALLINGER DECLARES 769,167 ACRES OPEN

Washington, D. C., Feb. 3.—Secretary R. A. Ballinger has declared approximately 769,167 acres of land open under the enlarged homestead act. Of the total 672,840 acres are in Wyoming, 61,767 acres in New Mexico, and 34,540 acres in Montana.

He has also withdrawn temporarily 448,000 acres in California and 3661 acres along Clark Fork in Montana.

JUDGE BRYANT, OF THE FEDERAL BENCH, IS ILL

Sherman, Tex., Feb. 3.—In response to the message from St. Louis saying that Judge D. E. Bryant, of the United States court for the eastern district of Texas, is critically ill in a sanatorium in that city, the judge's family left for his bedside today. He was stricken here during a session of court about two weeks ago.

DISCRIMINATION IN RATES CHARGED AGAINST TEXAS ROAD

Washington, D. C., Feb. 3.—The board of trade of Laredo today filed with the interstate commerce commission a complaint against the Texas-Mexico railroad, alleging discrimination in rates between San Antonio and Corpus Christi.

RESIDENCES BURN AT TYLER.

Tyler, Tex., Feb. 3.—Fire late last night destroyed two houses belonging to Oscar Moreland and occupied by Sam Burns and W. R. Summers. The total loss will reach \$7000.

SCHOOL HOUSE IN TEXAS BURNED

Children Have Narrow Escape From Death in the Blaze.

Groesbeck, Tex., Feb. 3.—The lives of 300 students were endangered this morning when the public schoolhouse was destroyed by fire.

All were attending classes at the time the flames broke out, 10 o'clock. Despite the panic which followed, the students were marched out of school and all escaped injury except one, Milton Batchelor, a boy who suffered a fracture of both arms when he jumped from the second story window.

The loss will reach \$14,000. The building was heated by a hot air furnace and it is believed a defect in the apparatus caused the blaze.

Several residences near the school were damaged by flames, and saved from total destruction only by the hard work of the fire company and citizens.

FRIDAY IS ARBOR DAY FOR ARIZONIANS

Friday, the 4th of February, has been named by the governor of Arizona as Arbor day, and in his call for its observance he asks that each community observe it as a holiday and spend it in planting trees. There can be no celebration in this valley that should meet with such willing response as the call to plant trees.

COAL STEAMER OVERDUE. CAUSES UNEASINESS

Galveston, Tex., Feb. 3.—The steamer Luckenbach, laden with coal, en route from Philadelphia to Galveston, is several days overdue and great uneasiness is felt for her safety, among shipping interests here.

She was last heard of January 22, at Delaware Gap, outbound.

W. W. COX ENDORSED FOR COLLECTORSHIP

W. W. Cox, a New Mexico ranchman who owns a big ranch in the Organ mountains, is the latest candidate for collector of customs at the El Paso port. The politicians have evidently dropped B. J. Viljoen, the Boer general.

New Mexico politicians were in El Paso yesterday and held a conference regarding the candidacy of Mr. Cox. Martin Lohman, a Las Cruces banker, attending the conference, remarked that he was "here to get the collectorship at El Paso for New Mexico."

A number of business men of the city were seen in the interest of Mr. Cox's candidacy and it is reported that Judge A. B. Fall, former attorney general of New Mexico, will go to Washington to work in behalf of the New Mexico resident. Supporters of collector A. L. Sharpe, of this city, are not worrying, as recent advice from Washington cause them to feel confident that Mr. Sharpe will be reappointed to the position he now holds.

GENERAL STRIKE OF MINERS IS POSSIBLE

Berlin, Germany, Feb. 3.—It was officially announced today that tariff negotiations had made such progress that a bill for the regulation of trade relations between Germany and the United States had been passed by the federal council and would be introduced in the reichstag this afternoon.

It is therefore believed that Germany's general tariff will not be applied to American imports, after February 7, as would have been the case had diplomatic exchanges failed.

GERMANY CALLS OFF PROPOSED TARIFF WAR

Toledo, O., Feb. 3.—With the initial difference between them amounting to 20 cents a ton, the operators and miners of the district comprising the Ohio, Indiana and western Pennsylvania soft coal fields met here today to adjust the wage scale for the new contract beginning April first.

The conference is of widespread importance as any agreement here will be the basis of a settlement in all other bituminous districts, or a disagreement, according to the miners, will result in a general strike.

ONLY ONE MORE WEEK OF PLEASURES

Then Comes Lent and the Sackcloth and Ashes.

"Everybody get happy. Get happy while you may. For on the time when you're in your prime. Everybody get happy." Altogether now, everyone sing the chorus for there is only a week left in which to give the devil his due. Next Wednesday is Lent and Lent means giving up the worldly things that are cherished because they are worldly things and the figuratively donning of the sackcloth and the penitential ashes of humble contrition.

Beginning next Wednesday and for 40 days, exclusive of the Sundays, Lent with its season of self denial will be with us and during this season of spiritual stock taking there will be no frivolities, such as dancing parties and dinners, and as for card parties—goodness, gracious no. Not that cards are really wrong, but Lent means giving up something and cards are something that can be given up without missing much more than a pleasant little gathering of friends each week with a dab of salad on the side.

Lent begins Wednesday. Until then, the individual with the forked tail will hold high links in company with his friends, the enemy. Parties will be given in a deluge. "Pre-lenten" will be given so good in the papers that little Miss El Paso Society just must give one more party before Lent comes with its restrictions. The social club party, around the dining room of the St. Regis Friday night to get the devil's charm out of the members' heels so it will stay out until after the 40 days of self sacrifice have passed.

At the Country club the final Saturday night dance with all of its charm of informality will be given. Some of the fair charmers who attend the club dances regularly have already begun their season of self denial, even though Lent is almost a week away. The "fighting Nineteenth" went away to war Tuesday and with them went the good looking bachelor officers of the regiment who danced and talked so splendidly at the Saturday night affairs of the club.

The Sky Scaper Era

From the Williams (Ariz.) News.

The El Paso Herald issued a very attractive special edition with its issue of Jan. 12. The special number is in a magazine form and gives a thorough summary of the progress made in the southwest. It is justly called the "Skyscraper Edition" for it gives illustrations of a dozen or more skyscrapers now under construction in the fast growing and progressive southwestern metropolis, El Paso. The paper gives comprehensive statistics of dry farming which is being carried on with success in various sections of New Mexico.